

GUADALUPE APPRAISAL DISTRICT



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REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 9, 2021

1. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Gilcrease called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

All members were in attendance except Mr. John. Others present were Tavie Murphy, Erich Strey, and Peter Snaddon.

3. CITIZENS' COMMENTS – None.

4. TAXPAYER LIAISON REPORT – Mrs. Murphy said the A.R.B. is doing hearings three days a week and all is going well.

5. ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE BUDGET WORKSHOP HELD MAY 5, 2021 - Mr. Amador made a motion to approve the minutes of the budget workshop held May 5, 2021. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

6. ACTION: APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 5, 2021 –Mr. Dunn made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held April 7, 2021. Mr. Amador seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

7. ACTION: APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR APRIL 2021 – Snaddon said the District has come in about 5% under budget for April 2021. Snaddon noted that the cost of postage and notices and renditions have gone up due to postage rates and more notices sent out. Mr. Perkins made a motion to approve the financial statement for March 2021. Mr. Amador seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: For a private consultation with the Board's Attorney with respect to pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas, clearly conflicts with this chapter, authorized and pursuant to Texas Government Code (Sec. 551-071). – The Board did not go into executive session.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION: The Board may retire to executive session to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee, authorized and pursuant to Texas Government Code (Sec. 551-074) – The Board did not go into executive session.

10. DISCUSSION/ACTION: TAKE ANY ACTION BASED ON DISCUSSION HELD IN CLOSED SESSION UNDER AGENDA ITEM #8 – No action taken.

11. DISCUSSION/ACTION: TAKE ANY ACTION BASED ON DISCUSSION HELD IN CLOSED SESSION UNDER AGENDA ITEM #9 – No action taken.

12. DISCUSSION/ACTION: LINE-ITEM TRANSFER AUTHORIZATION OF \$30,000 FROM LEGISLATIVE CONTINGENCY TO NOTICE RUNS PRINTING & MAILING, FOR NEW SB2 POSTCARD MAILING REQUIREMENT –Snaddon said the additional mailout for SB2 will cost the District \$30,000. Snaddon also said the budget was not impacted by the \$30,000 bill because it was built into the budget for this year. Mr. Dunn made a motion to approve the line item transfer. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

13. DISCUSSION/ACTION: GUADALUPE APPRAISAL DISTRICT 2022 PROPOSED BUDGET – Snaddon said payroll and salaries increased by 3% for cost of living and merit. The new IT position was reduced by \$10,000 to 55,000. Transferred GIS appraiser to Business Personal Property clerical support. Health and Dental was reduced from 20% increase to a 10% increase which saved approximately \$50,000. Retirement benefits have increased about 15.7% increasing the Districts liability by approximately \$34,000. Snaddon said that the Longevity benefit was discussed at the budget workshop and for the 2022 year the budget has been constructed to mirror the county’s longevity benefit. The longevity change equates to about 1.3% increase over the previous year. Notice and Renditions is increasing by 44% for the additional notice that SB 2 requires. Postage is going up by 63%. Subdivision setup costs rose 75% and Legislative Contingency has been reduced by \$30,000. The total budget would be \$3.8 million.

14. DISCUSSION/ACTION: REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FORWARD THE 2022 PROPOSED GUADALUPE APPRAISAL DISTRICT BUDGET TO TAXING UNITS, PER §6.06(a) TEXAS TAX CODE - Mr. Perkins made a motion to authorize the Chief Appraiser to forward scenario #2 to the taxing units. Mr. Amador seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

15. DISCUSSION/ACTION: REQUEST TO SCHEDULE 2022 BUDGET HEARING FOR AUGUST 4, 2021, AND AUTHORIZE CHIEF APPRAISER TO DELIVER TO TAXING UNITS WRITTEN NOTICE OF THE DATE, TIME, AND PLACE FIXED FOR BUDGET HEARING PER 6.06(b) TEXAS TAX CODE - Mr. Dunn made a motion to authorize the Chief Appraiser to schedule the 2022 budget hearing for August 4, 2021 and to send to the taxing units written notice of the date, time and place fixed for the budget hearing. Mr. Amador seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.

16. DISCUSSION/ACTION: REPORT ON PARKING LOT EXPANSION PROJECT – AUTHORIZATION TO APPLY \$9,635.00 FROM MASTER FACILITY PLAN FUND – Snaddon said that the \$9,635 would be the needed amount to get Debra Dockery to start on the design phase of the parking lot expansion. Mr. Dunn made a motion to apply \$9,635 from the master facility plan fund to the parking lot expansion project. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion, and passed unanimously.


17. Chief Appraiser’s Report

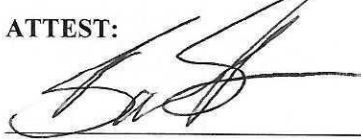
Snaddon said there were 2,200 online appeals filed this season amounting to \$624 million. Half of those have been resolved, 300 are waiting for response, 133 rejected and 693 left to review. The District has received approximately 6,500 timely filed appeals submitted by property owners in the amount of \$158 billion. Snaddon said agent protested accounts left is about 2,700.

Property Value Study appeal amounted to \$148 million being corrected by the State. Snaddon said HB533 sets a new requirement for ARB members and procedures of which the district is doing most of it already. HB1030 refers to omitted property and has changed the amount of time the District can go back from 5 years to 3 years. SB63 sets new requirements for BOD member regarding term limits. A new bill for homestead denials provides property owners with right to be heard by A.R.B. within 90 days when choosing to appeal G.A.D.’s denial. Snaddon noted that requirements for video casts will cost the District in the future. New Business Personal Property bill changes the exemption threshold from \$500 threshold to \$2,500.

18. Directors’ Report – None.

19. Adjournment –Mr. Amador made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Perkins seconded the motion, and passed unanimously. Dr. Gilcrease adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m.


Chair, Dr. Greg Gilcrease

ATTEST:

Secretary, Daryl John 